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1995 ANNUAL REPORT FOR SPECIAL PURPOSE FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE PERMIT NUMBER - PRT-789794 - AMP-193-96

In compliance with the Special Purpose Federal Fish and Wildlife Permit No. PRT-789794 granted to Marcia B. Murdock of RMRS, we hereby submit the 1995 Annual Report due to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service by January 10, 1996. This special purpose permit authorizes specified collection privileges for RMRS at Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (RFETS) in Jefferson County, Colorado.

Although the permit authorizes take of mallard and blue-winged teal eggs, no eggs were taken during 1995. The permit also authorizes salvage of non-endangered migratory birds and abandoned nests. One dead adult male American white pelican (Pelecanus erythrorhynchos) was salvaged on May 23, 1995, and remains preserved in a sample freezer at RFETS. Cause of death was undetermined, but the pelican was found in a decomposed condition approximately one week after severe flooding at RFETS. One immature great horned owl (Bubo virginianus) was electrocuted on July 21, 1995, salvaged, and remains preserved in a sample freezer. Law Enforcement Agents Leo Suazo and Roger Gephart were notified when each of these specimens was found, and gave permission for RFETS to retain them, rather than take them into custody. No abandoned nests were salvaged.

As an additional item, we would like to request an amendment to clarify Sections E and G in Item 11 of our existing permit. Section E authorizes "salvage [of] dead non-endangered migratory birds... for... educational display purposes." Section G declares that "Specimens shall be disposed of.... or donated to Colorado State University for educational purposes," but does not specify a time-frame for donation. Our initial application requested authorization to retain specimens for educational purposes at RFETS. Based on your January 3, 1995 conversation with Ms. Murdock, we propose that the amendment state "Salvaged specimens may be retained by RFETS, at the site, for educational purposes. If, however, the educational use ceases, specimens shall be disposed of by burning or burial, or be donated to Colorado State University for educational purposes."

A copy of your November 1, 1995 cover letter notifying us of the Annual Report due date is attached as requested.

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